



# WILL IT FLOOD THIS YEAR?

***And what should  
I do about it?***

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March 2018



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## Minor flooding likely:

- Sun River
- Boulder River
- Little Bighorn River
- Clear Creek
- Clarks Fork Yellowstone



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# SPRING FLOOD OUTLOOK FOR MONTANA

1. Educate residents (now!)
  - Emergency procedure
  - Forecasting/emergency alerts
  - Flood Insurance
2. Get forecasting info/alerts
3. How do you handle emergency permitting?
4. How do you handle emergency response?



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## Once the weather warms up, thick river ice could cause problems in Eastern Montana

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Thick ice forms along the banks of the Yellowstone River near Duck Creek on Thursday.

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## STATE MODEL completed in 2014

### 2014 MODEL REGULATIONS

September 3, 2013

Revision February 20, 2014

### FLOODPLAIN HAZARD MANAGEMENT REGULATIONS

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# MONTANA MODEL REGULATIONS UPDATE

1. DNRC will start outreach for review committee
  - Newsletter Articles
  - Email solicitation
2. DNRC will send out requests for proposed changes
3. First meeting – Montana Resource Seminar – Week of July 16<sup>th</sup>
4. Conference calls and meetings
5. Minimum of two years
6. Maintenance

# Thank you!

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*Save the date*

## MONTANA FLOODPLAIN RESOURCE SEMINAR

*Week of July 16*